GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1339
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SCHEMES FOR SC/ST
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Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether article 46 of the Constitution directs the State to promote with special care the economic and other interests of the weaker sections of the people, and in particular of the SCs and STs so as to protect them from social injustice and exploitation and to overcome the prevailing deep rooted social prejudices and historical economic handicaps suffered by them; and

(b) if so, the steps taken to promote with special care the interests of the SCs and STs through sponsored schemes/programmes for providing agricultural land and right to tap forest, mining and mineral resources etc. with a view to provide more employment opportunities and to economically empower and bring them on the mainstream of our national economic life?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYANARAYAN JATIYA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Under the strategy for Tribal Sub Plan and Special Component Plan, the State Governments/UTs/Central Ministries/Departments are to prepare and implement Special Plan for welfare of the Scheduled Tribes and Scheduled Castes respectively. Besides the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment and Ministry of Tribal Affairs are implementing special schemes for promoting the economic and educational interests of SCs and STs respectively, which are of additive nature. A list of such schemes is enclosed.

Annnexure

Statement refered to in reply to Part (b) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1339 for 08.03.2002 raised by Shri Ramdas Athawale, M.P. regarding Schemes for SCs/STs

LIST OF SCHEMES FORMULATED/IMPLEMENTED FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF SCs/STs.

Schemes for SCs

1. Special Central Assistance to Special Component Plan for SCs.

2. Special Educational Development Programme for SCs.

3. Post Matric Scholarship

4. PCR and Atrocities

5. Hostel for SC boys & Girls
6. National Scheduled Castes Finance Development Corporation

7 State Scheduled Castes Development Corporations

8. National Safai Karamcharis Finance Development Corporation

9. Book Banks
10. Liberation & Rehabilitation of Scavengers
11. Pre-Matric Scholarship
12. Coaching & Allied

13. Supporting Project to All India Nature of SCs (Research & Training)
14. Upgradation of Merit of SCs/STs students
15. Assistance to Voluntary Organisations for Scheuled Castes/OBCs and Minority Concentrated districts.
16. National Overseas Scholarships.

Schemes for STs

1. Special Central Assistance to Tribal Sub Plan.

2. Grants under first proviso to Article 275 (1) of the Constitution.

3. Vocational training in Tribal Areas.

4. Grant in aid to State Tribal Development Cooperative Corporations for Minor Forest Produce.

5. Development of Primitive Tribal Groups.
6. Post Matric Scholarship for ST students.

7 Grant-in-aid to Voluntary Organisations working for the welfare of STs

8. Up gradation of Merit of ST students

9. Educational complex in Low Literacy Pockets for Development of ST Girls in Tribal Areas.
10. Girls Hostels for Scheduled Tribes.